

TROY CITY VIEW

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Troy Student Delegation Visits Takahashi City



On August 8, a delegation of 17 seventh, eighth, and ninth grade students, along with four adult advisors, traveled to Troy's Sister City, Takahashi City, Japan. During their stay they lived in private homes, participated in civic and school events, and learned about the history and culture of their Sister City. The focus of the Troy-Takahashi City student exchange is for the delegates of the two countries to experience how much they have in common rather than their dif-

ferences. In August 2005, families in Troy will host a delegation of students and adults from Takahashi City.

After leaving Japan on August 16, the delegation briefly visited Beijing, China, for another educational and cultural experience. They returned to Troy August 19.

The delegates were responsible for all of their own expenses. In order to offset some of the cost, they participated in fundraisers and received corpo-

rate and private donations. Student delegates included Derek Browning, Shawn Browning, Kim Foust, Charles Harshman, Christopher Houck, Molly Milota, Emi Mizuguchi, Maggie Oda, Melinda Phillis, Sarah Scriven, Caitlin Smith, Ransom Stone, Breann Taylor, Sarah Taylor, Kevin Thayer, Brittany Youtz, and Cory Zell. They were accompanied by Tom Kendall, Sue Knight, Ron Phillis, and Joyce Reives.

New Fence Regulations

On August 2, 2004, City Council adopted regulations that require new fences to be set back at least six feet from the right-of-way line of any public street or public alley. Also, new fences may not be more than 42 inches high in any front yard, in a corner lot's side yard, or in a through-lot's rear yard. In addition, new fences closer than 10 feet from another adjacent property may not be more than six feet high.

Any fence, whether it is old or new, must be properly maintained and may not be constructed of prohibited materials such as chicken wire, corrugated metal,

junk car parts, or similar new or used materials.

Ordinance O-34-04 lists all of the new fence regulations. It will be effective September 2, 2004. The new regulation did not include a permit process. This option was considered by City Council who may revisit the regulations to require permits for the installation of fences.

Any citizen considering erecting a fence is strongly urged to contact the Department of Planning and Development at 339-9481 to request a copy of Ordinance O-34-04 and learn about the new regulations.

Moratorium on Electronically Controlled, Changeable Copy Signs

At their August 2 meeting, Troy City Council passed legislation that placed a six-month moratorium on the use of electronically controlled, changeable copy signs. The moratorium prohibits the issuing of permits for the signs during this six-month period.

The purpose of the moratorium is to allow City Planning and Development Department staff time to review the current zoning regulations. After the review, staff will make recommendations to the Planning Commission and City Council regarding possible amendments to the Zoning Code sections that govern this type of signage.

For more information on the moratorium, please contact the Department of Planning and Development at 339-9481.

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CITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

6	Labor Day Holiday, City Offices Closed	
7	Joint Meeting of Board of Park Commissioners & Troy Recreation Board*	11 a.m.
7	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
8	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
16	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
20	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
22	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

OCTOBER

4	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
5	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
13	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
18	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
21	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
27	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER

1	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
2	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
10	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
15	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
18	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
24	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
25 & 26	Thanksgiving Holiday, City Offices Closed	
26	Lighting of Holiday Tree Public Square	Evening
28	Holiday Concert @ Hobart Arena	7 p.m.

*All meetings are held at Troy City Hall, 100 South Market Street unless otherwise indicated.

FALL BASKETBALL/VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE INFORMATION

The Troy Recreation Department will be holding organizational meetings in October and November for all fall basketball and volleyball leagues. All meetings will be held in the Recreation Department's conference room located on the second floor of Hobart Arena.

Church Volleyball League will play on Tuesday evenings beginning November 16, 2004. An organizational meeting for interested teams will be on Monday, October 11, at 5:30 p.m.

Industrial Basketball League will play their games on Wednesday evenings beginning December 1, 2004. An organization meeting for teams will be held on Wednesday, October 13, at 5:30 p.m.

Church Basketball League will play their games on Saturdays beginning December 4, 2004. The organizational meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14, at 5:30 p.m.

Men's 30 and Older Basketball League will play on Thursday evenings beginning January 13, 2005. The league's organization meeting will be Wednesday, October 27, at 5:30 p.m.

Co-ed Power Volleyball will play matches on Monday and Tuesday evenings beginning January 3, 2005. The organizational meeting for teams will be held Monday, November 8, at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the Troy Recreation Department at 339-5145.

Your Tax Dollars at Work

❖ NEW CEMETERY MAINTENANCE BUILDING

This project began with the demolition of the existing maintenance building. A new structure is currently being built at the same site.



Workmen prepare the foundation for the new maintenance building. When completed, the old structure will be torn down.

❖ **NEW AQUATIC CENTER** Demolition of the old municipal swimming pool is expected to begin the last week of August. Construction on the new Aquatic Center will begin following demolition. The new facilities are planned to be open for Memorial Day 2005.

❖ **NORTH ELM STREET** The reconstruction of North Elm Street from West Main to the Morgan Ditch will commence this fall. This project is funded in part with a \$600,000 grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission. In addition to the laying of new pavement, the reconstruction will improve the turning radii at the North Elm/Water Street intersection.

❖ **TREASURE ISLAND MARINA** Exterior improvements will be made this fall to the marina building that currently houses Arang's Restaurant. This is one of the initial steps in the renovation of Treasure Island Park, which will also include a bike path connection to Duke Park via bridges over the Great Miami River.



When completed, the bike path will link all the facilities of the City's Recreation Corridor along the river.

❖ **SECOND SALT BARN** Construction of a second salt barn at the Wastewater Treatment Plant on Dye Mill Road was completed this summer. This second road salt storage facility will assist crews in their snow and ice control duties during the winter by eliminating the need to go to the west end of the City to reload snow plows with salt.

❖ **RECREATIONAL TRAIL ADDITION** Construction of an extension to the Recreational Trail from Miami Shores Golf Course to the Concord Trails will begin this fall. This is a cooperative project with the Miami County Park District.

Happenings at Hobart Arena

There are several special activities being held at Hobart Arena this fall that will offer something for everyone.

September TOOL AND MOTORCYCLE SHOW

For the motorcycle and automobile enthusiasts there will be two events in September. On **Saturday, September 11**, 12-6 p.m., Lookout Point, Inc., is presenting a Tool and Motorcycle Show featuring the Snap-on Tools Chopper motorcycle built by Orange County Choppers. Admission is \$5.00. In addition, a fully-restored 1967 Chevrolet C-10 truck will be raffled off. Tickets for the raffle are \$10.00.

CAR SHOW AND CRUISE-IN

On **Saturday, September 18**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Troy Area Automobile Dealers will present a Car Show and Cruise-In. Admission to this event is free.

October TASTE OF HOME COOKING SCHOOL

October's offering will appeal to the culinary enthusiast. The Troy Daily News is sponsoring Taste of Home Cooking School on **Thursday, October 14**, at 7 p.m. The doors will open at 4 p.m. Ticket prices are \$13.50 for floor seats and \$12.50 for arena seating. The Taste of Home Cooking School promises



es scrumptious food, clever cooking tips, and a great time out with your friends. It's the perfect opportunity to discover dozens of new recipes that will fill your kitchen with the tempting aromas of herbs and spices that will season your foods and add some spice to your life!

November HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS CONCERT

Hobart Arena will once again host the Home for the Holidays Concert. This year's event will

be held on **Sunday, November 28**, at 7 p.m. This free concert is presented by the City of Troy and The Troy Foundation. Featured performers will be the Springfield Symphony, Dayton Boys Choir, and the Strawberry Festival Choir. Although admission is free, each person must have a ticket to enter. Tickets will be available at the Hobart Arena Box Office or the Troy Daily News **b e g i n n i n g** October 18.



For more information on any of these events, please contact the Troy Recreation Department at 339-5145.

Fall Skating and Hockey Action

In addition to the exciting special events being planned for Hobart Arena this fall, there are some fun ice skating and hockey activities that you won't want to miss.

FREE PUBLIC SKATING SESSION ~

On **Saturday, October 23**, the Troy Skating Club will provide a Free Public Skating Session from 2-4 p.m. Not only will there be free skating, there will also be free instruction. Remember, it's never too late to learn!

HALLOWEEN SKATE ~

On **Sunday, October 31**, you may get the chance to see Dracula, Frankenstein, or Sponge Bob on the ice at Hobart Arena during the Halloween Skate. This fun event will be held from 2:30 to 4:45 p.m. Show up in costume (other than a hockey player or figure skater) and receive \$1.00

off the public skating admission price. Prizes will be awarded for best costume.

TROY JUNIOR HOCKEY SUPER SATURDAY ~

On **November 13**, the Arena will host the Troy Junior Hockey Super Saturday. The day will be filled with Troy Junior Hockey games, followed by a Troy High School contest. The Trojans will also be in action on **November 14, 20, and 21**. All THS games start at 5 p.m.

For information on these ice skating events, please contact the Troy Recreation Department at 339-5145.



Hockey Initiation Program

Do you know of a beginner hockey player between 5-8 years-old who loves the sport and has dreams of playing in the NHL? If so, the Hockey Initiation Program might be just what they need. The Initiation Program is for the beginner

hockey player who will reach the age of five to eight as of December 31, 2004.

Instructions for the young skaters will focus on basic hockey skills-skating, stick handling, passing, and shooting. Registration fee is \$160.

For more information, contact the Troy Recreation Department at 339-5145.

TROY CITY PROGRAMMING - CHANNEL 9

Watch for the Mayor's Report and the City Council Update programs on Troy-Public Broadcasting, Channel 9.

Mayor's Report _____ Monday & Friday - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday - 11:30 a.m.
Sunday - 7:30 p.m.

City Council Update _____ Monday & Friday - 7 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday - 12 noon
Sunday - 8 p.m.

CITY CLIPS



New City Employees

The City of Troy recently added several new faces to a number of departments. In the Police Department, **Robert Beeson**, **Joel Misirian**, and **Andrew Bronsord** are new police officers, filling vacancies created by promotions. In the Office of the Director of Public Service and Safety, **Christy Herman** was hired as Management Analyst. *Welcome to Team Troy!*

Promotions

Several employees earned promotions in recent months. In the Public Works Department Utilities Division, **David Hathaway** was promoted from Water Serviceman to Senior Water Serviceman. In the Public Works Department Operations Division, **Adam Vogel** advanced from Laborer to Sign, Paint & Graphics Technician. In the Police Department, **Chris Anderson** and **Joe Long** were promoted from Police Sergeant to Police Captain, while **Shawn McKinney**, **Richard Gumerlock**, and **Ryan Carsey** advanced from Police Officer to Police Sergeant. *Congratulations to all on your achievements!*

Beggars Night Announced



The City had designated Thursday evening, October 28, from 6 to 8:00 p.m. as the official Beggars Night. Please use extra caution when driving during this time and dress your children in costumes which provide them with good visibility.

New Police Officers



R. Beeson



J. Misirian



A. Bronsord

Directory of City Officials

Mayor Michael L. Beamish
President of Council William F. Lohrer
Council Members by Ward:

1st Ward Craig E. Wise
2nd Ward Martha A. Baker
3rd Ward Ted S. Mercer
4th Ward Frank L. Hutchinson

Council Members At Large:

..... Alan R. Clark
..... Shirley M. Saxton
..... Mark A. Douglas

Director of Law Greg Dixon

Auditor Richard L. Cultice

Treasurer Edward L. Cox

Director of Public Service & Safety

David E. Anderson

Clerk of Council Sue G. Knight

Public Works Director Steven D. Leffel

Development Director .. James A. Dando, Jr.

Recreation Director Kenneth E. Siler

Fiscal Supervisor Dale R. Ridenour

Fire Chief John A. Denney

Police Chief Charles C. Phelps

Parks Superintendent Timothy J. Mercer

Personnel Director Mark S. Cundiff

Cemetery Superintendent Lew J. Deeter

Golf Professional Ken Green

Golf Course Superintendent Tom W. White

Information on how to contact City elected and appointed officials is available on the City of Troy website: www.troyohio.gov



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Attention Web Surfers

Have you visited the official website of the City of Troy?

If not, surf over to www.troyohio.gov and check us out. The site is full of useful information about the City as an organization, as well as the community.

The website changes regularly, so visit often to keep abreast of meeting dates, job openings and other useful information.

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